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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 22 October 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Afghanistan (S/1996/838 and S/1996/865)*

Georgia (S/1996/644, S/1996/843 and S/1996/866)*

Other matters

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* With a view to a formal meeting.

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Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.*, on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of October, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled. *Today's* briefing will take place in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security items:

Agenda items [60] (A/51/27, 208-S/1996/543, 1017-S/1996/632); [61] (A/51/179, 209); [62]; [63]; [64]; [65]; [66] (A/51/27, 123, 127, 131, 163, 167, 174, 208-S/1996/543, 262, 412, A/C.1/51/4, 5, 8); [67] (A/51/113-S/1996/276, 117-S/1996/290, 216-S/1996/563, 286); [68] (A/51/176); [69] (A/51/27, 163, 262); [70] (A/51/27, 262); [71] (A/51/27, 42, 60-S/1996/62, 69-S/1996/122, 72-S/1996/148, 77-S/1996/181, 127, 131, 136, 137, 139, 157, 159-S/1996/418, 163, 165-S/1996/435, 167, 169-S/1996/444, 174, 181, 188-S/1996/511, 207, 208-S/1996/543, 214, 218, 220, 224, 262, 266-S/1996/621, 279, 300, 313, 323, 393, 452, 462-S/1996/831, A/C.1/51/7, 10, 11); [72] (A/51/27, 60-S/1996/62, 69-S/1996/122, 72-S/1996/148, 77-S/1996/181, 137, 188-S/1996/511, 219, 274-S/1996/631, 287, 403, 445); [73] (A/51/27, 42, 86-S/1996/216, 137, 175, 182, 346-S/1996/740, 352, 364, A/C.1/51/L.1); [74] (A/51/446); [75] (A/51/139, 254); [76] (A/51/210, 230 and Corr.1); [77] (A/51/29); [78]; [79] (A/51/117-S/1996/290, 151); [80] (A/C.1/51/L.2); [81] (A/51/60-S/1996/62, 89, 137, 202-S/1996/537, 318-S/1996/706, 351-S/1996/744, 401-S/1996/782, 461-S/1996/830)

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 2

Environment and sustainable development [97] (A/51/3 (Part II), A/51/87, A/51/131, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/211-S/1996/551, A/51/295, A/51/357, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/51/375)

(c) Implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity (A/51/312)

(d) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing Countries (A/51/354)

(e) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind (A/51/484)

(f) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (A/51/186-E/1996/80)

Conclusion of general discussion

3 p.m.- 4 p.m.	informal meeting	Conference Room 2

[H.E. Mr. Razali Ismail, President of the General Assembly, will be the keynote speaker to address issues related to agenda item 97 (b) (Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21).]

4 p.m.- 6 p.m.	12th meeting	Conference Room 2

Environment and sustainable development [97] (A/51/3 (Part II), A/51/87, A/51/131, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/210, A/51/211-S/1996/551, A/51/295, A/51/357, A/51/462-S/1996/831, A/51/375)

(a) Implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (A/51/3, part II, A/51/76, A/51/76/Add.1, A/51/510)

(b) Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21 (A/51/420)

Introductory statements and general discussion

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	9th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	10th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice [101] (A/51/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/327, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/357, A/51/450, A/C.3/51/L.2, A/C.3/51/L.3)

2. International drug control [102] (A/51/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/68, A/51/87, A/51/93, A/51/208-S/1996/543, A/51/129-E/1996/53, A/51/295, A/51/375, A/51/437, A/51/436, A/51/469)

3. Question of the elaboration of an international convention against organized transnational crime [158] (A/C.3/51/7)

Continuation of general discussion

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	7th meeting	Conference Room 4

1. Effects of atomic radiation [82] (A/51/46, A/C.4/51/L.3/Rev.1)

   General debate

2. The situation in the occupied territories of Croatia [92]

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	11th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116] (A/C.5/50/57 and Add.1, A/50/7/Add.16 and A/51/7/Add.1)

   Continuation of general discussion

2. Human resources management [120] (A/C.5/49/63, A/C.5/49/64, A/C.5/50/64, A/C.5/51/1, A/C.5/51/2, A/C.5/51/3, A/C.5/51/6, A/C.5/51/7, A/51/304, A/51/421 and A/51/475)

   Continuation of general discussion

3 Programme Planning [114] (A/51/6 (fascicles), A/51/16 (Part I and II), A/51/88 and A/51/6 (Perspective and Note))

   General discussion

Informal consultations

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 120 (Human resources management (A/C.5/51/2 and A/51/475))

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* Following the adjournment of the 11th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

[Drafting Committee on the Convention on the Law of the Non-navigational Uses of International Watercourses (13th and 14th meetings)]

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund
2. Membership of the Investments Committee
3. United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund

UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778
2.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND GENDER EQUALITY

First session

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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Informal consultations

The Extended Bureau of the Committee on Information will hold consultations with the Department of Public Information *today*, 22 October 1996, at 4 p.m. in room S-1027.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 22 October 1996

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: DRAFTING GROUP 2 OF THE WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction and International Convention to Combat Desertification in those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

UNITED NATIONS DISARMAMENT FELLOWSHIP, TRAINING AND ADVISORY SERVICES PROGRAMME

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

GROUP OF 77
(Fifth Committee matters)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77
(Third Committee matters: programme planning and omnibus resolution issue))

1.30 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: programme planning)

4 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

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The Special Conference to Support the Peace Process in Liberia will be held *today*, 22 October 1996, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Conference is open to interested delegations only.

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The NGO Committee on Disarmament, in cooperation with the Centre for Disarmament Affairs and the Department of Public Information, will hold a three-day Conference on the theme "Disarmament Week 1996: Critical Discussions" in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. The first panel discus-sion on "How to Structure the Non-proliferation Treaty Review Process, and with what Content" will be held *today*, 22 October 1996, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. The afternoon session on "The World Court Advisory Opinion on Nuclear Weapons" will be held from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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There will be meetings of the Inter-parliamentary Union *today*, 22 October 1996, from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Informal meetings

There will be a CTBT informal Bureau meeting (open-ended) *today*, 22 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7, to discuss the following subjects: (a) Rules of Procedures; (b) Staff Regulations and Rules; and (c) Provisional Technical Secretariat.

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Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution on agenda item 158 (The question of the elaboration of an international convention against organized transnational crime) *today*, 22 October 1996, from 2 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room B. All interested delegations are invited.

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Meetings of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Disarmament Commission" *today*, 22 October 1996, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room B.

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There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Conventional Arms Control at the Regional and Sub-regional Levels" *today*, 22 October 1996, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Convention on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons" *today*, 22 October 1996, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Briefing

The Permanent Mission of Zimbabwe and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) will hold a briefing (open) on the World Solar Summit (16-17 September 1996, Harare) in conjunction with agenda item 97 (Environment and sustainable development), *today*, 22 October 1996, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 23 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	13th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 2

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	11th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	12th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	8th meeting	Conference Room 4

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	12th meeting	Conference Room 3
	Informal consultations	
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 1

[Drafting Committee on the Convention on the Law of the Non-navigational Uses of International Watercourses (15th meeting)]

3 p.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 1

[Working Group of the Whole on the Convention on the Law of the Non-navigational Uses of International Watercourses (13th meeting)]

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee are open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. Nicole Pouilleul, tel.: 212-963-5700, fax: 212-963-5935).

Informal meetings of the Second Committee

H.E. Mr. Daudi Ngelautwa Mwakawago, Permanent Representative of the United Republic of Tanzania to the United Nations and Vice-Chairman of the Commission on Sustainable Development, will brief the Second Committee on the outcome of the most recent Bureau meeting of the Commission, on Wednesday, 23 October 1996, from 10 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

Mr. Mauricio de Maria y Campos, Director-General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), will hold an informal executive briefing for delegations on industrial development cooperation (agenda item 95 (a)), on Friday, 25 October 1996, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6

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The following Working Groups, established by the General Assembly, will hold consecutive meetings on Wednesday, 23 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3: (a) Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters Related to the Security Council; (b) Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group of the General Assembly on an Agenda for Development; (c) High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Financial Situation of the United Nations; and (d) High-level Open-ended Working Group on the Strengthening of the United Nations System. The Working Groups will have the following agenda: 1. Election of officers; and 2. Other matters.

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The Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations will meet on Thursday, 24 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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The 1996 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 1996 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be held in two segments.

The joint opening of both Pledging Conferences will take place on Monday, 4 November 1996, at 10 a.m., to be followed by the segment devoted to the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities. The second meeting devoted to this segment will take place on Tuesday, 5 November, at 10 a.m.

The segment devoted to the 1996 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be convened on Monday, 4 November, at 3 p.m.

It would be appreciated if delegations which have not already done so, could submit the names of their representatives to both pledging conferences to the Secretary of the Pledging Conferences, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950G, ext. 3-2320/3-5973).

The list of speakers for both Pledging Conferences will be open beginning 28 October until 1 November. Delegations wishing to be inscribed for both pledging conferences are requested to contact the Secretariat (Mr. A. De Barros or Ms. L. Bawar (tel.: 3-2320 or 3-5973, fax: 212-963-5935, room S-2950G)).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

The next meetings of the resumed substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened from 13 to 14 November 1996. The provisional agenda for the resumed session is contained in document E/1996/93. The following items will be taken up as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1] (E/1996/93)

   Selection of themes for the high-level, the coordination segment and the high-level segment on operational activities for development for the 1997 substantive session of the Council (E/1996/103)

2. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and Development [6 (I)] (E/1996/99, E/1996/L.26)

3. Coordination questions: reports of the coordination bodies [9 (a)] (E/1996/18 and Add.1)

4. Non-governmental organizations [10] (E/1996/102)*

5. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11] (A/51/16 (Part II))

6. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13] (E/1996/CRP.3/Rev.1 and CRP.5)

7. Elections [14] (E/1996/95 and Corr.1, E/1996/L.15/Add. 2)

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An informal consultation of the Commission on the Status of Women will be convened by the Bureau of the Commission on Thursday, 24 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7. The consultation will continue consideration of the plans for the forty-first session, in accordance with the Commission's agreed conclusions 1996/1. Background papers on this issue have been prepared by the Secretariat of the Division for the Advancement of Women and these will be available at the offices of the Division (DC2-1250).

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Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA

The Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund will hold informal consultations on the *Human Development Report 1997* on Thursday, 31 October 1996, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Second Committee matters: item 97 (b) (Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21))* on Wednesday, 23 October 1996, at 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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There will be a closed meeting of the Commonwealth Permanent Representatives on Thursday, 7 November 1996, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Informal meeting

There will be a CTBT informal Bureau meeting (open-ended) on Wednesday, 23 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7, to discuss the following subjects: (a) Financial Rules and Regulations; (b) Provisional Budget (preliminary); and (c) Scale of Assessments (preliminary).

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The informal meeting of the States signatories of the amended Protocol II to the Convention on Certain Convential Weapons and all other interested States will be held on Wednesday, 23 October 1996, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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Meetings of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on Southern Hemisphere on Wednesday, 23 October 1996, at 1.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

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There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution on "Consolidation of Peace Through Practical Disarmament Measures" on Thursday, 24 October 1996, from 9.45 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Conference Room C.

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There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Regional Disarmament" on Thursday, 24 October 1996, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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Presentation

There will be a presentation by the Director-General of UNESCO, Mr. Federico Mayor, on "Towards a Culture of Peace" (in conjunction with agenda item 110 (b)) on Friday, 25 October 1996, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

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A presentation on the theme "Practical Implementation of the Habitat Agenda via Internet", organized by the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, will be held on Friday, 25 October 1996, from 3.30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

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Briefings

The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) will hold an informal briefing on Friday, 25 October 1996, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7. Dr. Peter Piot, Executive Director of UNAIDS, and Mrs. Sally Cowal, Director of External Relations on UNAIDS, will give a briefing on the major issues and latest developments of UNAIDS. All interested delegations, United Nations Programmes and specialized agencies are invited to attend.

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Mr. Wally N'Dow, Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)), will hold an informal executive briefing for delegations on Habitat Agenda (agenda item 96 (e)) on Monday, 28 October 1996, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the same conference room in which the Second Committee will meet.

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Forum

The Division of Public Affairs of the United Nations Development Programme and the African Amicale will host a Forum on "African Perspectives of the Security Council" on Thursday, 24 October 1996, from 12.45 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to mark United Nations Day. The Forum will be moderated by a Permanent Representative. The panelists will be representatives of African Member States who are currently, or who have been, members of the Security Council. Introductory remarks by the panelists will be followed by a question-and-answer period and an open discussion. Members of delegations, United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, accredited medias, non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited.

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Symposium

The United Nations Drug Control Programme (UNDCP), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the NGO Committee on Narcotics and Substance Abuse will hold a Symposium on the theme "Mobilizing Communities to Prevent Drug Abuse" on Wednesday, 23 October 1996, from 1 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5. The Symposium will be moderated by Dr. Herbert Kleber, Executive Vice-President of the Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (Columbia University). The Panelists will be Ms. Jacqueline Butler, Professor at the University of Cincinnati and Executive Director of CPC/Alcohol and Substance Abuse, Ms. Maritza Rojas, Director of Evaluation of the C.E.D.R.O. (NGO) (Peru), Ms. Leanne Riley, Senior Prevention Specialist of WHO, and Mr. Gale Day, Chief of the Interagency Coordination of UNDCP. Introductory remarks by the Panelists will be followed by an open discussion. Members of delegations, United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, accredited media, non-governmental organizations and Secretariat staff are invited.

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Announcement

The Economic and Social Council wishes to invite delegations, Secretariat staff and all interested colleagues to a gathering in memory of Mr. Goran Ohlin, former Assistant Secretary-General for Development Research and Policy Analysis, on Monday, 28 October 1996, at 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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United Nations Day Observance

This year's United Nations Day observance will be held on Thursday, 24 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall. Children from different parts of world will participate in the hour-long programme through a video conference. The President of the General Assembly and the Secretary-General will address the gathering.

Members of delegations, non-governmental organizations, the media and United Nations staff are invited to attend the programme.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 21 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

39th plenary meeting

Election of five non-permanent members of the Security Council [15 (a)]

The President made a statement.

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Japan, Kenya and Sweden were elected members of the Security Council for a two-year term beginning on 1 January 1997.

The representative of Bolivia made a statement on a point of order.

Since two seats remained to be filled, one from the Latin American and Caribbean States and one from the Western European and other States, the General Assembly proceeded, in accordance with rule 94 of rules of procedure, to a second round of balloting restricted to the countries which had obtained the largest number of votes in the first round of balloting, namely Costa Rica (105) and Bolivia (73) (from among the Latin American and Caribbean States), Portugal (112) and Australia (91) (from among the Western European and other States).

The results of the second ballot (first restricted ballot) were as follows:

	Votes
Costa Rica	167
Bolivia	5
Portugal	124
Australia	57

Having obtained the required two-thirds majority, Costa Rica and Portugal were elected members of the Security Council for a two-year term beginning on 1 January 1997.

The following five states were thus elected as non-permanent members of the Security Council for a two-year term beginning on 1 January 1997: Costa Rica, Japan, Kenya, Portugal and Sweden.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 15.

Programme of work

The President informed members that, in addition to agenda item 22 (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States) and agenda item 28 (Universal Congress on the Panama Canal) scheduled for consideration by the General Assembly on Thursday, 24 October, in the afternoon, the Assembly would also consider that same afternoon agenda item 160 (Observer status for the International Seabed Authority in the General Assembly) and agenda item 36 (International assistance for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Nicaragua: aftermath of the war and natural disasters) as the third and fourth items.

On Friday, 25 October, in the morning, the Assembly would first take up agenda item 49 (Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas)), followed by agenda item 29 (Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union).

The President further informed members that on Tuesday, 12 November, in the morning, the Assembly would consider agenda item 27 (Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 9th meeting

The Committee considered programme 1 of the medium-term plan for the period 1998-2001 as contained in document A/51/6. Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, Cuba, Indonesia (on behalf of the countries of the Non-aligned Movement (NAM)), Brazil, Mexico, the United States, Ireland (on behalf of the European Union (EU)) and Oman.

10th meeting

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements by the representatives of Cuba, Uruguay, Saudi Arabia, Mongolia, Thailand, Peru, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Pakistan.

SECOND COMMITTEE 10th meeting

Environment and sustainable development [97]

(c) Implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity

(d) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing Countries

(e) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

(f) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

The Committee began consideration of item 97, sub-items (c), (d), (e) and (f).

The Under-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development introduced the report of the Secretary-General on action taken at the international, regional and national levels to implement the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/51/354) and the report of the Secretary-General on protection of global climate for present and future generations of Mankind - programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 (A/51/484).

The Director and Deputy to the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (A/51/186-E/1996/80).

Statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ireland (on behalf of the European Union as well as Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia (the associate countries aligned themselves with this statement, as did Iceland and Norway)), the United States, Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States), the Russian Federation, Bangladesh, the Marshall Islands, Canada, Saudi Arabia, Samoa, Belize, Papua New Guinea and Thailand.

The representative of the World Bank also made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE 7th meeting

Crime prevention and criminal justice [101]

International drug control [102]

Question of the elaboration of an international convention against organized transnational crime [158]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of agenda items 101, 102 and 158.

Statements were made by the representatives of Uganda, the Republic of Korea, Egypt, Israel, Venezuela, the United States, Swaziland (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community), the Syrian Arab Republic and Algeria.

8th meeting

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family [100]

The Committee resumed its consideration of agenda item 100.

Draft resolution A/C.3/51/L.4

The representative of Mongolia introduced and orally revised the draft resolution on behalf of the sponsors listed, as well as Bangladesh, Guinea Bissau, Myanmar and Nigeria.

Crime prevention and criminal justice [101]

International drug control [102]

Question of the elaboration of an international convention against organized transnational crime [158]

The Committee continued its joint general discussion of agenda items 101, 102 and 158.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union as well as Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Lithuania, Malta, Norway, Romania, Slovenia and Slovakia), Colombia, Canada, Jamaica (on behalf of CARICOM), Argentina, Malaysia, China, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Indonesia, Hungary, Kazakstan and The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

The observer for Switzerland made a statement.

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Pattern of conferences [118]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Iceland and Norway), Japan and Jamaica.

Human resources management [120]

The Committee continued its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Cyprus, Romania and Slovakia), Italy and the United States.

The Committee also heard statements by the Under-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development and the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management and by the representative of Singapore.

Programme planning [114]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Controller presented the proposed medium-term plan.

The Chairman of the Committee for Programme and Co-Ordination presented the report of that Committee.

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Uganda, Ireland (as President of the European Union), Cuba, Canada, the United States, Mexico and Brazil.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Cuba, Mali, the United States and China as well as by the Chairman.

The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management responded to questions posed.

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International Convention on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Fifty-eighth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 21 OCTOBER 1996

1531st and 1532nd meetings

Opening of the session

The fifty-eighth session of the Committee was declared open by its Chairman.

Adoption of the agenda [1]

The Committee adopted its provisional agenda as contained in document CCPR/C/118.

The Committee also adopted its programme of work for the session, heard reports from the Chairpersons/Rapporteurs of the Working Group on Communications and the Working Group on Article 40 and approved the lists of issues to be taken up during the consideration of the reports scheduled for the session.

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee considered the item.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 December 1984

Declaration under articles 21 and 22: Senegal (16 October 1996)*

OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

Agreement on the Establishment of the International Vaccine Institute, opened for signature at New York on 28 October 1996

On Monday, 28 October 1996, at 11 a.m., a ceremony which will mark the opening for signature of the Agreement, will take place in Conference Room 8.

Delegations intending to sign the Agreement at that time are advised to submit the appropriate full powers in time, preferably in advance of the ceremony to the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, (room S-3200, telefax: 963-3693).

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Signature: Djibouti (21 October 1996)

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* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 22 October 1996, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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